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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method for reproducing an encoded video signal, the method comprising:

decoding the encoded video signal to produce a decoded video signal;

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detecting a reproduction condition; and processing the decoded video signal based on the reproduction condition.

- 2. The method according to claim 1, wherein the processing comprises filtering the decoded video signal based on the reproduction condition.
 - 3. The method according to claim 1, wherein the reproduction condition is a delay in reproducing the encoded video signal.
- 4. The method according to claim 3, further comprising stopping the decoding when the delay is greater than or equal to a predetermined amount.
 - 5. The method according to claim 3, wherein the detecting comprises calculating the delay based on a time stamp embedded in the encoded video signal and an elapsed time from a start of reproducing the encoded video signal.
 - 6. The method according to claim 2, wherein the reproduction condition is a delay in reproducing the encoded video signal.
 - 7. The method according to claim 6, further comprising stopping the decoding when the delay is

greater than or equal to a predetermined amount.

- 8. The method according to claim 6, wherein the detecting comprises calculating the delay based on a time stamp embedded in the encoded video signal and an elapsed time from a start of reproducing the encoded video signal.
- 9. An apparatus for reproducing an encoded video signal, the apparatus comprising:
- a decoder configured to decode an encoded video signal;

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at least one filter configured to filter the decoded video signal;

a detector configured to detect a reproduction condition; and

- a controller configured to control said at least one filter based on the detected reproduction condition.
 - 10. The apparatus according to claim 9, wherein the controller is configured to control whether said at least one filter filters the decoded video signal based on the reproduction condition.
 - 11. The apparatus according to claim 9, wherein a plurality of filters are provided to filter the decoded video signal and wherein the controller is configured to select a filter among the plurality of filters based on the reproduction condition.
 - 12. The apparatus according to claim 9, wherein the reproduction condition is a delay in reproducing

the encoded video signal.

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- 13. The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the controller is configured to stop the decoder when the delay is greater than or equal to a predetermined amount.
- 14. The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the detector is configured to calculate the delay based on a time stamp embedded in the encoded video signal and an elapsed time from a start of reproducing the encoded video signal.
- 15. The apparatus according to claim 11, wherein the reproduction condition is a delay in reproducing the encoded video signal.
- 16. The apparatus according to claim 15, wherein the controller is configured to stop the decoder when the delay is greater than or equal to a predetermined amount.
- 17. The apparatus according to claim 15, wherein the detector is configured to calculate the delay based on a time stamp embedded in the encoded video signal and an elapsed time from a start of reproducing the encoded video signal.
- 18. An article of manufacture comprising a computer usable medium having computer readable program code means embodied therein for reproducing an encoded video signal, the computer readable program code means comprising:

30 first computer readable program code means for causing a computer to decode the encoded video signal; second computer readable program code means for causing the computer to perform a filter processing on 5 the decoded video signal; third computer readable program code means for causing the computer to detect a reproduction condition; and fourth computer readable program code means for 10 causing the computer to control the filter processing based on the detected reproduction condition. The article of manufacture according to claim 18, wherein said fourth computer readable program code means causes the computer to control whether 15 the filter processing is performed based on the reproduction condition. The article of manufacture according to claim 18, wherein said fourth computer readable program code means causes the computer to change a content of 20 the filter processing based on the reproduction condition. 21. The article of manufacture according to claim 18, wherein the reproduction condition is a delay in reproducing the encoded video signal. 25 The article of manufacture according to claim 21, further comprising fifth computer readable program code means for causing the computer to stop a

decoding operation of said first computer readable program code means when the delay is greater than or equal to a predetermined amount.

23. The article of manufacture according to claim 21, wherein said third computer readable program code means causes the computer to detect the delay based on a time stamp embedded in the encoded video signal and an elapsed time from a start of reproducing the encoded video signal.

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- 24. The article of manufacture according to claim 20, wherein the reproduction condition is a delay in reproducing the encoded video signal.
 - 25. The article of manufacture according to claim 24, further comprising fifth computer readable program code means for causing the computer to stop a decoding operation of said first computer readable program code means when the delay is greater than or equal to a predetermined amount.
- 26. The article of manufacture according to

 20 claim 24, wherein said third computer readable program

 code means causes the computer to detect the delay

 based on a time stamp embedded in the encoded video

 signal and an elapsed time from a start of reproducing

 the encoded video signal.